

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/003,381

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 12/18/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3, 5-13, 15 and 16.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Claims 4 and 14 have been cancelled; therefore, Claims 1-3, 5-13, 15, and 16 are now pending in application 10/003,381.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

2. The rejection of Claims 4 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement is withdrawn due to Applicant's arguments submitted 11/8/06.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The rejection of Claims 1-3, 5-13, 15, and 16 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Cheng (US 6,067,548), are withdrawn due to Applicant's amendments.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. **Claims 1-3, 5-13, 15, and 16 are allowed.**
5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:
6. As per **independent Claims 1 and 13**, the prior art does not teach or suggest wherein said organization definition information storing unit stores authentication information indicating that each of individuals is a true user of the business information system, and wherein at least one of said organization definition information registering means, said customizing information registering means and said personal environment constructing

means executes a processing only when a user is a true user of the business information system, on a basis of the input authentication information of the user, and wherein, when the user is determined to be a true user of the business information system, unevaluated customizing information is acquired from the customizing information storing unit by the personal environment constructing means, and an inspection is executed by the personal environment constructing means as to whether or not the customizing condition is established, and if the customizing condition is established, the unevaluated customizing information is added to a personal environment of the user by the personal environment constructing means.

7. The remaining **dependent Claims 2, 3, 5-12, 15, and 16** are considered allowable, as they are dependent and based off of an allowable independent claim.
8. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

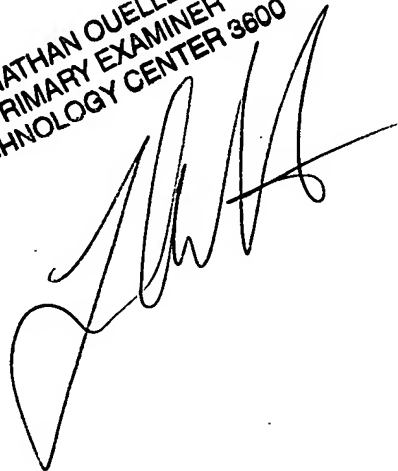
9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jonathan Ouellette whose telephone number is (571) 272-6807. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday, 8am - 5:00pm.

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10. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Weiss can be reached on (571) 272-6812. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned (571) 273-8300 for all official communications.
11. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Office of Initial Patent Examination whose telephone number is (703) 308-1202.

January 16, 2007

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PRIMARY EXAMINER
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3800

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Ouellette', written over the printed name and title.